

Stanton man charged for allegedly assaulting officers

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

A Stanton man who also runs a local pawn shop is now facing charges for allegedly assaulting two Clark County deputies. Police say they were called about the alleged assault after the two detectives had been inquiring about possible stolen property.

Police reports indicate that Clark County Sheriff's Department Detective Brian Caudill and Detective Aaron Matthews went to Outdoor Power and Pawn in Stanton last Thursday to check for some alleged stolen property. At first the officers stated that Robert R. Lowe, the owner, was very cooperative. However, that

changed.

"They advised us that he was cooperating and then he suddenly became belligerent and started cussing them and telling them to leave," Stanton Police Chief Kevin Neal said. "So they decided to leave and come get one of us to go back with them."

Neal said that the detectives then reported that Lowe, 59, of Stanton, advised them that if they wanted to know anything about items brought to the store they should check with the Powell County Sheriff's Office. "Pawn shops have to provide a weekly list to the sheriff's office of items they have received," Neal explained.

As the two detectives were starting to leave they reported that Lowe allegedly pushed Detective

Caudill. As Detective Matthews attempted to intervene, Lowe then allegedly placed his hands on Matthews, and according to the arrest warrant took a swing at Matthews. The warrant also stated that Lowe grabbed Matthews by the throat.

Matthews then reportedly was able to take Lowe to the ground, as Caudill summoned assistance from local law enforcement.

Lowe was arrested and charged with two counts of third degree assault on a police officer and placed in the Powell County Detention center. He was released on a \$5,000 surety bond the next day. Lowe is expected in Powell District Court on Feb. 19.

Superintendent explains what goes into 'making the call'

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

It seems like there are some leaders who are in a no win scenario. No matter what decision they make, they just cannot win. One of those positions is held by Mike Tate as he is the Powell County Schools Superintendent.

Last Wednesday Tate was in one of those positions as strong storms turned severe just as school buses were beginning to drop children off

at the schools. Still other buses were still on the roads as tornado warning sirens blared throughout the county.

The Times received several calls and staff members were asked repeatedly about the situation. "I received about six calls about it," Tate said as he was asked about the situation.

"We had bad weather coming our way and Earnie (Smallwood) was up at 5 a.m. checking the weather and talking to the weather service office

in Jackson. He called me and I got here about 6:30," Tate said. "Between 5 and 6 a.m. we were looking at either going as scheduled or possibly placing us on a delay or even calling school off."

As the storms approached and several severe thunderstorm warnings and tornado warnings were issued west of the area, Tate began to take

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Schools to use make up day

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Be prepared to go to school on President's Day. That was the word that came down following the recent bout with snow and school cancellations. Under the original school year schedule the Powell County Schools were set to be out on Monday, Feb. 18 which is also President's Day. However, it was also listed as make-up day if needed.

Now it's needed, according to the school district's web site.

The school system, as of this past Monday, has missed four days. Three of

those were weather related; the fourth was due to illness.

President's Day is a federal holiday and some federal offices and other events will be closed. However, schools are not directly affected. Unlike Martin Luther King Day, which a state law requires schools across the state to close, celebrating the birthday of President George Washington and President Abraham Lincoln, a Kentucky native, has no such requirement.

As of Monday the last day of classes for students will now be May 8, barring no surprises and weather permitting.



Times Photos by James Cook

The PCHS Pep Band seniors were honored on Monday night at halftime of the Powell-Wolfe girl's basketball game. Those honored were (l to r) Clayton Cooksey, Megan Smith, Emma Faulkner, Katie Fraley, Zach Claypoole and Justin Fields. Congratulations and good luck to you all!



Times Photos by James Cook

Winter makes an appearance, finally

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

That stuff that fell from the sky most of last weekend, that is what is known as snow. Since it has been so rare over the past two winters, an introduction was in order. Now many people, except kids, want it to go away.

The county was hit with a a minor snow storm late last week which brought slick roads, accidents, school closings

and events canceled. That included some churches canceling services to help keep people off the dangerous roads.

Earlier in the week temperatures in the 70's and severe weather blew through the county. A tornado warning was even issued last Wednesday morning. But all that gave way to cold winds, single digit wind chills, snow and ice by

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The winter blast that blew through Powell County late last week was both bothersome and fun. The top photo depicts what Main Street looked like at around 9 a.m. last Saturday morning as driving was treacherous.

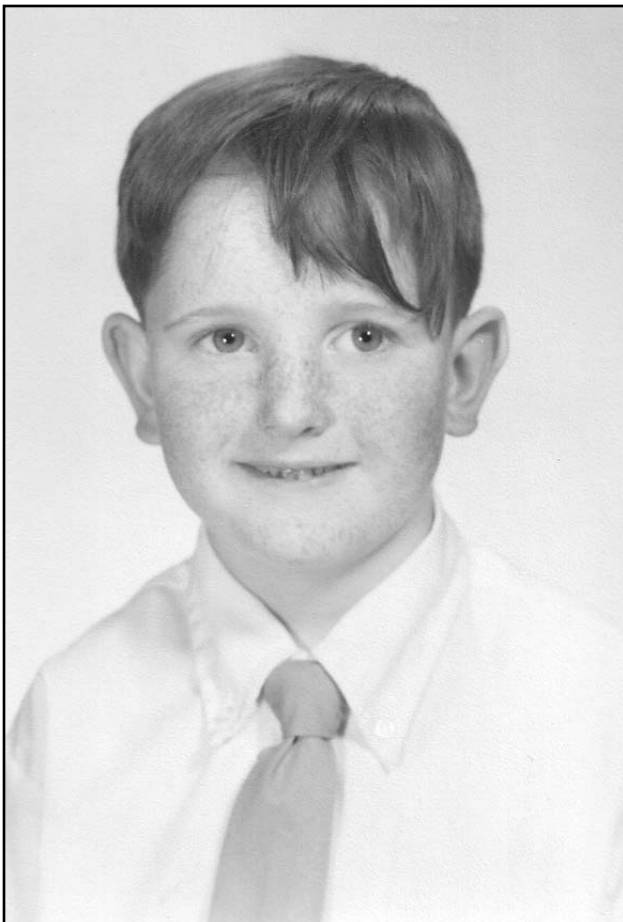
The weather was just perfect for some. "Rockie" a Husky, (middle, photo by Zach Claypoole) sat on the porch of her owners's home and watched the snow fall as it began to pile up on Virden Ridge.

Others really enjoyed the white stuff, but also love their Wildcats. Bethany Stapleton showed her team spirit as she made a UK Snowman. (right, photo by Tonya Stapleton) Warmer weather should rule this week, but the cool fun was great while it was here.



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Lillian "Lily" Diane Jamison

Say Hello to Lily

Dwayne and Sierra Rice-Jamison of Clay City would like to announce the birth of their daughter Lillian "Lily" Diane Jamison. Lillian was born at 8:43p.m. on Nov. 9, 2012 at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington. She weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces and was 18 inches long.

Lily was welcomed home by her brother Hunter Jamison and her proud grandparents, Dickie and Frances Rice of Clay City, Billy Jamison of Hillsboro, and Gene and Wanda Letcher of Mt. Sterling.

Also there to welcome Lillian was her grandmother Lucille Boyd, her Aunt Ruby and Uncle Rob Rice, Aunt Pam Joslin, Uncle Ryan Jamison, Uncle Gary and Aunt Janie Jamison. Her cousins Hannah Rice, Chas Joslin, Brandon Rice, Tori Bloom and Tyler and Emma Jamison were there to welcome her home too.

Lillian was named after her great, great aunt, 94 year old Lillian Miller of Clark County.

INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

- **Powell Fiscal Court meets at the Powell County Courthouse on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.**
- **Stanton City Council meets on the second Thursday of the month in the Powell District Court Room, located in the Powell County Courthouse. The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.**
- **Clay City Council meets on the third Monday of each month at the Municipal Building/Council Chambers. The meeting begins at 7 p.m.**
- **The Powell County School Board meets on the second Monday of the month at the PCHS Cafeteria, unless otherwise posted. The meeting begins at 6 p.m.**

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Guest Column:

Lawmakers with no combat experience too ready for war

By ORD ELLIOTT
Guest Columnist

The U.S. military invaded Afghanistan in 2001 and has been there ever since; in fact, the government started and ended another long and costly campaign in Iraq within that period. All the fighting, dying, loss of limbs, family absences, stress and resulting post-traumatic stress disorder, alcoholism, homelessness and suicide have been experienced by less than 1 percent of the population – combat veterans.

“Everyone says they can only imagine the hell of war, and it’s true; if you haven’t been in combat, you just don’t know what it is like,” says Ord Elliott, a former platoon commander with the Marines and author of *The Warrior’s Silence* (www.ordelliott.com). The memoir, written over several decades, recounts the transformative experience of combat in Vietnam and how it informed his emerging understanding of war as a young man.

“The problem has gotten worse because the number of active-duty veterans in the U.S. Congress has been declining for nearly four decades,” Elliott

says. “This year’s 113th Congress will have the fewest since World War II – just 19 percent of the 535 House and Senate members.”

Elliott says he had no particular purpose in mind when he wrote down his memories and impressions of war, and the pages sat in the back of my closet for years – until the drums of war started up once again for the Middle East.

“I knew more young people would be used as cannon fodder for an unnecessary war, voted on by old politicians with nothing to lose. That’s when I knew my writing could be used for something.”

Much of his reader feedback addresses the apparent indifference by politicians to the suffering that will be endured by troops when the nation goes to war, says Elliott, a Princeton graduate. He says many feel that *The Warrior’s Silence* – in the tradition of Karl Marlantes’ *Matterhorn* and Norman Mailer’s *The Naked and the Dead* – should be required reading for any politician pushing for a war vote. Several passages in Elliott’s book detail the heavy toll of war:

- Resentment & anger:

As a platoon commander, Elliott participated heavily in “the numbers game,” which was the attempt to count the dead and wounded on both sides. “It became a far more fictional than real method of accounting,” he says. Many times since then, Elliott has daydreamed about having Robert McNamara, the late Secretary of Defense who played a major role in the Vietnam War, run “point.”

“I wanted the politicians and the generals and the colonels sitting back in Da Nang moving pins on a map – I wanted those bastards on my point,” he writes. “When you’re on point, you’re marching on the edge of annihilation, your last moment not a full breath away.”

- Depersonalizing humans: In Vietnam enemies were called “Gooks;” today, we fight “terrorists,” or even the more blatantly racist “rag-heads.” In addition to the many inane reasons given for the past several U.S. wars – which stay with vets as a nagging “why?” – embattled military personnel also carry with them the dangerous experience of having dehumanized people. “When you get back from combat, you know you’ve changed, but you don’t



Estill County native J.D. Crowe is an editorial cartoonist with the Mobile, Alabama, Register.

know exactly how,” he says.

- The good warrior: Dave Hackett, a friend of Elliott’s in Vietnam, was the company’s executive officer. “He was a good Marine who never questioned the war; he was a professional warrior who accepted the rules of the game he was in,” Elliott says. One night, the two shared coffee while Dave retold the adventures of a Native American hero, as portrayed in a western-novel series, in which the protagonist was finally killed. The storytelling turned out to be prophetic. The next day the company was ambushed and Dave died in the firefight trying to save other Marines. Today’s Marines are much like Dave, Elliott says. They are admirable in their

willingness to charge into anything, and they are completely at the mercy of politicians’ votes.

- Insight: “My father fought in the Battle of the Bulge,” writes Catherine Webber, a former Oregon state senator. “Two years later, when I was only 6, he committed suicide. Ord’s insight into the warrior’s mind has helped me understand how what he endured could have trumped his love for me, my mother and my baby sisters. Had I known this 60 years ago, my life would have been much different. I have now finally found some closure and peace ...”

Ord Elliott was a Marine Rifle Platoon Commander in Vietnam, and he is a Princeton graduate. He went on to

build a successful career in management consulting. He is also the author of a book on organization design, The Future Is Fluid Form: Practical Steps for Designing Flat, Flexible Organizations.

Quote of the Week

For everything
you have missed,
you have gained
something

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Focus on tax hikes distracts from real problem - out of control spending

By SEN. MITCH MCCONNELL
Guest Columnist
U.S. Senator-Ky.

“As I’ve explained repeatedly on the floor over the past two weeks, government spending is completely out of control – and it’s projected to get much worse in years to come. Even if the President got the additional tax increases he’s asked for, we still wouldn’t even come close to solving the problem. And we certainly won’t get there by wasting time on poll-tested P.R. gimmicks that will hardly bring in any revenue. Every minute the administration spends talking about corporate jets is one less minute we have to discuss serious ways to confront the challenges we face. Clearly, it’s the spending we have to deal with. And now is the perfect time to do so.”

U.S. Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell made the following remarks on the Senate floor last week regarding the need for Senate Democrats and the President to focus on Washington’s out-of-control spending problem to solve the debt crisis in America:

“Yesterday, we learned that our economy contracted for the first time in more than three years. This news comes, of course, after President Obama spent an entire election promising Americans that a return to robust economic growth was right around the corner, and little more than a week after the President said in his inaugural address that ‘economic recovery has begun.’

“I’m not so sure the people of Kentucky would agree with that assessment, given that the unemployment rate there is still above 8 percent. But this isn’t the first or second time this White House has oversold the recovery. It’s not even the third or the fourth. A lot of us remember the ‘Summer of Recovery.’ A lot of us also remember when the Vice President promised that the stimulus would ‘literally drop-kick’ us out of the recession.

“Look: if the White House spent nearly as much time trying to actually fix the economy as it did claiming it was fixed – and then finding excuses and scapegoats when its premature pronouncements turned out to be false – I suspect the economy would actually be doing better than it is today. But the President seems not to have learned that lesson because, just yesterday, he tried to pin the latest negative economic news on Congressional Republicans again.

“Well, the President can make any excuse he wants, but it’s not going to help Americans find jobs.

“One thing the President could have done instead

of wasting so much time blaming others would have been to convene the Jobs Council he created amidst so much fanfare. He hasn’t done that for more than a year. In fact, from what I understand, the council is expected to disband today after having met only four times since 2011.

“We’ve had four years of the Obama Economy. It hasn’t worked. This would be the time to try something new. But the President seems content to simply double down on more of the same. He wants to spend more, which would only worsen our trillion-dollar deficits. And the very same President who warned against raising taxes in a down economy is proposing to raise taxes in a down economy. He’s clearly getting a big assist on that front from the Chairwoman of the Budget Committee, who says she’s going to include tax hikes in the Senate Democrats’ budget plan.

“That’s a bad enough idea to begin with, but it’s especially counterproductive considering yesterday’s dismal growth numbers. Because there are two things we know about tax increases: First, they reduce jobs and hurt economic growth, and second, they distract us from addressing the real problem, which is spending.

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“The key to robust recovery is freeing the private sector to grow and create jobs. We can do that by making government more efficient, by reforming spending, and by eliminating programs that don’t work – which happen to be the very same things we need to do to get our fiscal house in order.

“Economic growth and debt reduction can go hand in hand, but only if we pursue the right policies. So, as a first step, let’s stop making things worse than they already are. Threatening families and businesses with even more job-killing tax hikes is clearly counterproductive, and so is trying to borrow more money from China to fund more failed stimulus packages.

“The President and his allies have had four years to put their ideas into practice; those policies have failed. It’s time for a new approach. And, if Democrats are ready to finally get serious – to end the blame

game and pursue real pro-growth policies – then Republicans are here to show them the way forward to a stronger economy and a more secure future.”

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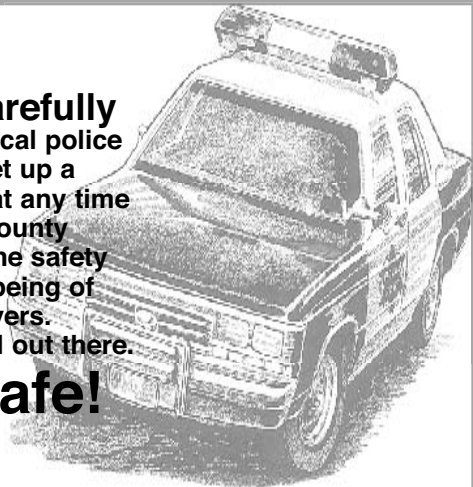
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Local couple on hand for Presidential Inauguration



Josie and Ovie Hollon

For the recent Inauguration of President Barack Obama, Ovie and Josie Hollon travelled to Washington DC to visit their daughter, DC resident Kaelan Hollon, and take in this historic event.

Thanks to a generous ticket offer from Congressman Harold Rogers, the family was able to enjoy the Inauguration alongside nearly a million other attendees. The couple also attended the Kentucky Society of Washington's Bluegrass Ball, where they had an opportunity to chat with Governor Beshear about Powell County, along with several other members of the Congressional caucus.

Several bourbon distillers were on hand to showcase Kentucky's bourbon products, and the couple had the opportunity to meet Ashland native Ashley Judd, as well.

Natural Bridge and other state parks prepare to celebrate Valentine's Day

Looking for that perfect place to celebrate Valentine's Day? Consider a Kentucky State Park. Many parks are offering special events and packages in February to help celebrate Valentine's Day.

Natural Bridge State Resort Park in Slade will have a Valentine's Day Special Dinner Buffet on Feb. 14. Bring your out your sweetheart and enjoy some good food at the Hemlock Lodge's Sandstone Arches Restaurant! Buffet items will include carved roast beef with au jus and horseradish sauce; golden fried catfish with hushpuppies; Chicken Veronique with vineyard white wine sauce; pork tenderloin Diane with burgundy wine sauce; twice baked potatoes; corn pudding brown bean and butternut squash soups; assorted rolls and cornbread and desserts. Served from 4-8 p.m. Cost is \$15.98 a person plus tax and tip.

On Feb. 16 Natural Bridge State Resort Park will host a Valentine's Square Dance. Bring your sweetheart out to Natural Bridge for some easy-to-learn Appalachian square dancing, clogging, line dancing, two-stepping, polkas, waltzes, and many other couples and individual dances. The warm-up begins at 6:30 p.m., and the official start time is 7:30 p.m. The dance will be held in the Woodland Center and typically lasts until 10 p.m. Admission is \$3 per adult, and children under 12 are free. Contact Brian Gasdorf at brian.gasdorf@ky.gov or (606) 663-2214 for more information.

State parks provide a great place for a getaway weekend along with excellent food, entertainment, natural beauty and scenery. Listed below are the parks with Valentine's packages and programs and the park phone number. For more information about each park, as well as other state park events, visit www.parks.ky.gov

Congressman Barr announces monthly office hours in Powell

U.S. Rep. Andy Barr announced today that his staff will conduct regular office hours each month in every county of the Sixth Congressional District, beginning on Feb. 5.

"I am pleased to announce the next phase of my continuing accessibility commitment," Rep. Barr said. "Every month, my constituents will have a convenient opportunity to sit down with my staff in their hometown and voice their concerns; obtain assistance; and offer feedback.

"We look forward to providing the responsive, efficient, and compassionate service the people of Central and Eastern Kentucky deserve."

Constituents may also obtain assistance by calling Congressman Barr's District Office at 859-219-1366, during the hours of 8:45 a.m. and 5:15 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Rice graduates from academy



Deputy William Rice Powell County Sheriff Office graduated from the Department of Criminal Justice Training Class 440. That ceremony took place last Friday in Richmond.

The 18 week, 768 hour Law Enforcement Basic Training course is mandatory for all Kentucky law enforcement officers who are required to comply with Peace Officers Professional Standards Act of 1998.

Below members of the Powell County Sheriff's Department were on hand to congratulate Rice. They are: Deputy Derek Townsend, Deputy Rice, Powell County Sheriff Danny Rogers, Deputy/Clerk Sherry Skidmore, Chief Deputy Robert "Rog" Mathews and Deputy Ian Morton.

The group celebrated with a lunch at Applebees following the ceremony. A celebration was also held at the Powell County Courthouse later that same day. (Top photo by Sherry Skidmore; Bottom photo by Vanessa Mathews)



PCHD food handling classes are set

The following is a list of upcoming food handler classes: Feb. 12, March 12, April 9, and May 14.

All classes are on Tuesday, will begin at 1 p.m. and all classes will take place at the Powell County extension office at 169 Maple Street, Stanton.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Stanton Masonic Lodge - Open Installation of Officers
Stanton Masonic Lodge #352, F. & A. M. will be holding an open installation for the 2013 officers at the regular meeting on Friday, Feb. 8 at 7:30 p.m. All Masons, their families and friends are invited to attend! We will have a potluck meal after the meeting and ask everyone to bring a dish and come enjoy some fellowship.

Heart Health Class
The Powell County Extension Office and Foothills Health and Wellness Center will be offering a free workshop- "Keeping the Beat: Heart Health" on Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 6 p.m. at the Powell County Extension Office. Participants will learn about risk factors for heart disease and how to eat a heart healthy diet. Recipes will be available and participants will have the opportunity to sample heart healthy foods. For more information, please contact Pam Dooley at 663-6405 or Stacy Crase at 663-9011.

GTE-Sylvania-UAW-Osram Retiree Meeting
Winchester GTE/Sylvania/Osram/UAW retirees will meet 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 12 at the Union Hall. Following the meeting, the group will travel to JK's Country Store on the Old Boonesboro Road at Forest Grove for lunch. All retirees and former Sylvania employees are welcome for lunch.

Rook Tournament
The Sons of AmVets Post #67 in Clay City will be holding a Rook Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 9. The start time is 7 p.m. Pre-entry, early preferred, draw for partners. 50/50 payout, entry fee is \$10. For more information call Greg Crabtree at 606-569-5030.

AmVets Valentines Dance
AmVets Post #67 will be having a Valentines dance on Saturday, Feb. 16 from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at 99 Veterans Lane in Clay City. There will be a \$5 cover charge that will cover food and music. For more information call 606-481-9165.

Red River Softball Meeting
The Red River Little League Softball will be holding an open meeting on Sunday, Feb. 10 at 2 p.m. at the Powell County Middle School lunchroom. Anyone interested in helping is welcome to attend. Any questions contact Arlene Scott at 663-6087 or Jim Thorpe at 663-2262.

Free Weight Loss Program
The Powell County Extension Office and Foothills Health and Wellness Center will be offering a free weight loss program on Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. Classes will meet on for 10 weeks at the Powell County Extension Office. Participants will weigh in each week and be eligible for prizes at the end of the program. Recipes and food sampling will also be available each week. For more information, please contact Pam Dooley at 663-6405 or Stacy Crase at 663-9011.

Red River Bow Hunters
The Red River Bow Hunters will be shooting indoors on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. For more information call 606-481-0959.

Adult Education Hours
MSU-Powell County Adult Education New Hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday by appointment. Call 606-663-1948. The GED exam cost \$60.

Cruising Car Club Meeting
Twin City Kruzerz Car Club will be holding their monthly meeting the first Monday of each month at Irvine City Hall. If the meeting falls on a holiday it will be the following Monday. All members and anyone wishing to join the club are welcome. If you have any questions please call Loyd Flynn at 723-6776, or Jack Chaney at 723-4045.

Free Open Computer Lab
The Montgomery County Public Library will have a free open computer lab for young people after school every other Thursday at the Mt. Sterling branch. The lab will give pre-teens and teens an opportunity to practice using a computer or to complete homework assignments that require access to the internet or Microsoft Office applications. Contact the library at 859-498-2404 for more information.


Genealogy Help Desk
The Red River Historical Society and Museum located at 4541 Main Street in Clay City has opened a Genealogy Help Desk. It will be staffed by members of the historical society and members of the Red River Valley Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). If you are researching your Eastern Kentucky roots we hope we can be of some help to you. The hours are 2 to 5 p.m. each Sunday at the museum.

Hear the CCT News Notes on WBFC 1470 AM weekdays at 4:15 p.m and CCT News on WSKV 104.9 FM weekdays at 7, 12 & 4

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Times Photo by Dana Estep

When the snow piles up on the ground you can bet kids will find ways to get into it. It could be snowball fights, snow angels or even sledding. Above (l to r) Krista Estep, Adam Estep and Destiny Peck found a way to enjoy the snow. A little sledding and of course wiping out a time or two, makes the cold air, frozen fingers and red noses seem worth it . . . when you're young or young at heart.

Library offers free classes and books

The Powell County Public Library not only provides books, but also opportunities. The library will be holding free computer classes. The classes are held every two weeks on Tuesday and Thursday. The next classes will be held on Thursday, Feb. 7. The next set will be Tuesday, Feb. 19 and Thursday, Feb. 21, then again two weeks later. The computer skills you learn could even help you find a job as the classes will help you to:

- Prepare for job interviews with the interview simulation
- Assess your career interests
- Browse Career Paths
- Match experience to new careers
- Find Schools and Program.

The classes are taught by Jeana Pillion, a web designer and developer. If you have questions contact Teresa Means Clerk/Workforce Recovery and Tech Trainer at Powell County Public Library Stanton, or call (606) 663-4511. The library will also be holding a free book week. Free book can be picked up the week of Feb. 11 through Feb. 15. While your there, check out the services the library can offer you.

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Powell students earn honors at EKV

EKU Fall 2012 President's List

Eastern Kentucky University has announced that 1,224 students earned President's List honors for the Fall 2012 semester.

The List includes Poell Countians such as: Alanna Jade Babcock, of Stanton, a senior Animal Studies major; Jade Angelique Petty, of Stanton, a junior Psychology major; and Lyndsey Jordan Roe, of Stanton, a junior Middle Grade Education major.

The President's List was established by the University to recognize outstanding academic achievement. It is bestowed upon full-time undergraduate students who attain a perfect 4.0 grade point average for a semester.

"All of us at EKV are committed to academic excellence and the success of our students," EKV President Doug Whitlock said, "and we are especially pleased to recognize those students who have excelled to the point of perfection during a semester's work."

Eastern Kentucky University is a comprehensive university serving approximately 16,000 students on its Richmond campus, at its educational centers in Corbin, Danville, Manchester, Somerset and Lancaster, and throughout Kentucky.

EKU Fall 2012 Dean's List

Eastern Kentucky University has announced that 2,901 students earned Dean's List honors for the Fall 2012 semester. Of those 15 were from Powell County.

The List includes: Adrianna Rose Alexander, of Clay City, a sophomore Biology Pre-Medical Science major; Amanda Marie Creed, of Clay City, a freshman Pre-Communication Disorders major; Corey Dale Kirkpatrick, of Clay City, a freshman Applied Engineering Management major; Stephanie D. Newell, of Clay City, a senior Social Work major; Jonas Tyler Ringl, of Clay City, a senior Computer Information Systems major; Rex Lucas Scott, of Clay City, a senior Criminal Justice major; Ethan Luke Adams, of Stanton, a freshman Physics major; Alanna Jade Babcock, of Stanton, a senior Animal Studies major; Darcy Lavon Billings, of Stanton, a freshman Undeclared seeking four year major; Courtney Gere Jones, of Stanton, a senior Occupational Science major; Donovan Preston Nolan, of Stanton, a junior Criminal Justice major; Jade Angelique Petty, of Stanton, a junior Psychology major; Lyndsey Jordan Roe, of Stanton, a junior Middle Grade Education major; Araminta Brooke Tyra, of Stanton, a senior Animal Studies major; and Joseph Lee Weddington, of Stanton, a senior Police Studies major.

To achieve Dean's List honors at Eastern, students attempting 14 or more credit hours must earn a 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0. Students attempting 13 credit hours must earn a 3.65 GPA, and students attempting 12 credit hours must earn a 3.75 GPA.

"We are always pleased to recognize outstanding academic achievement at Eastern Kentucky University," said EKV President Doug Whitlock.

EKU Fall 2012 Dean's Awards

Eastern Kentucky University has announced 505 Dean's Award recipients for the Fall 2012 semester.

Award recipients include: Stephanie D. Newell, of Clay City, a senior Social Work major; Alanna Jade Babcock, of Stanton, a senior Animal Studies major; and Donovan Preston Nolan, of Stanton, a junior Criminal Justice major.

To earn the Dean's Award, students must achieve Dean's List honors at EKV for three semesters, not necessarily consecutive. A lapel pin is presented to students by the dean of their academic college.

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PCHS Student of the Week



Trey Marcum

with his friends Aaron Townsend and Ryan Smith. Trey was nominated for PTO Student of the Week by his English teacher, Eddie Coleman.

When asked what makes him unique, Trey replied, "My personality. It gives me the ability to get along with anyone."

After high school, Trey hopes to play baseball or basketball in college and

Trey Marcum is this week's PTO Student of the Week at Powell County High School. He is the son of Tim and Kristie Marcum of Stanton.

Trey is a senior and is the shooting guard for the Pirate basketball team and a four-year member of the Pirate baseball team. He was named to the 2012 14th Region All-Tournament basketball team, and he recently became one of the few players in Powell County High School history to score 1,000 points in his career.


Trey appreciates all the teachers at the high school who are willing to go out of their way to help students. His favorite class is Holly Teasley's College Algebra class "because it's challenging and it's interesting to learn new ways of doing math." He also enjoys hanging out

to major in Occupational Therapy.

Student of the Week is a program sponsored by the PTO and recognizes students who are role models in the areas of study, effort, cooperation, and attitude. Other students nominated this week include Brandon Coffee, Logan Proffitt, and Keeley Rogers.

Powell County School Calendar

Feb. 18	President's Day (Make Up Day)
Mar. 15	NO SCHOOL
Mar. 16	Reading Celebration
Mar. 20	5th Six Weeks Ends
April 1-5	SPRING BREAK



FFA News

Local, State & National

Presented by the Powell County Chapter at PCHS

FORMER POWELL FFA OFFICERS

The Powell County FFA chapter was signed and approved on March 16, 1936, by state president Gentry Lee. The officers recovered a lost document while cleaning out an office in the school.

We are proud to recognize all past officer teams that have served our chapter. We have created a wall of recognition in our classroom, completely dedicated to recognizing all teams that have once been part of our chapter.

If you were, or know anyone that was, part of an officer team in Powell County, please bring us a picture of your team and a list of their names. We would be honored to place you on our wall of traditions.

Thank you. Call Powell County High School 606-663-3320

PLEASE RETURN FFA JACKETS


Our FFA chapter is in desperate need of our past belongings. If you have any of our movies, jackets, handouts or anything used for judging, please return it to the high school. We would appreciate the help very much, thank you.

FFA Reporter, Holly Reed

PCHS Class of 2013

It may seem too early, but here is a reminder to get your photo to Mrs. Workman by April 1 so you can be featured in the Clay City Times Graduation Special Section this year. DON'T DELAY!

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CLAY CITY ELEMENTARY 3RD GRADE HAIKUS

Do you remember writing haikus in school? Haikus are a form of Japanese poetry having three unrhymed lines which have five, seven and then five syllables. The third graders at Clay City Elementary have been working on them and they asked if we would publish a few. Since we had some extra room this week, we published all they sent. Thanks to Becky Ansell for sending them. Sit back, read and enjoy the ancient form of poetry known as haiku. - JC

Barker's Homeroom	“Sledding” by Chenoa Murray It is fun to do Wind blowing, snow falling down You whoosh down a hill	Nice syrupy smells	We get to play in and out It's coming down hard	“The Snowman” by Darla Hurley Look at my snowman White balls of snow stacked high Carrot nose, coal eyes
“Sledding” by Jeremiah Beckham Sledding down a hill I zoomed the hill quickly I won an award	“Snow Quilt” by Olivia Centers Falling little flakes Making the ground pretty like A white quilt falling	“Snowball” by Colby Miller I can be rolled up I can be thrown to have fun Don't make me too big	“Hot Cocoa” by Abby Neal Come and get some more Hot cocoa is very good This will warm you up!	“Hot Cocoa” by Sarah Lawson Hot cocoa is good Chocolate tastes like heaven I want cocoa now
“Snowflakes” by Emily Goodpaster I play with snowballs I really want it to snow That's why I love snow	“Snow Things” by Myron Kiernan It is very cold You can make things out of snow A snow octopus	“Snowfall” by Kayla Smith Hot fireplace burning Snow falling outside the house Reading a good book	“Snowflakes” by Preston Goodwin Snowflakes are falling We can play in the snow now It is cold outside	“Snowflakes” by Keisha Allen It falls from the sky You can catch them in your mouth It can land on you
“Hot Cocoa” by Landen Reynolds Hot cocoa is good I like mine with marshmal- lows I love chocolate	Bush's Homeroom	“Hot Chocolate” by Allison Henderson It has marshmallows I drink it at a fireplace It keeps me warm, too	“Snowflakes” by Haley Maggard Snowflakes are so cool They fall when it snows out- side Do you like white stars?	“Ice” by Lucas Clemons People skate on me I am crystal clear in light I can also hang
“My Snowfort” by Dylan Campbell A snow fort is cool It is cold inside my fort In it is so cold	“A Very Fun Day” by Ian Whitehead Playing in the snow Having a very fun day Snow on the rooftop	“Snowflakes” by Alexis Blevins They fall from the sky They're pretty, white, and sparkly You can play with them	“Snowmen” by Dylan Griggs Snowmen are awesome Fun to make him and build him Then to destroy him!	“Snowflakes” by Allison Fouch Big specks are falling Snow is falling from the sky Wow, snowflakes are great!
“Christmas Movies” by Chloe Barrett Watching movies now Sitting by the firelight flames Seeing what's next now	“Snowboarding” by Dillan Arvin Sliding in the snow Really fast dashing down a hill Give me a big board	“Snowball Hands” by Jimmy Hatton Snowball scooping hands Gathering up snowballs fast Snowballs throwing fast	“The Hot Cocoa Attack” by Paige Leigh Hot cocoa is good One cold December it snows We got mistletoe	“Hot Cocoa” by Wesley Collins Hot cocoa is good White, smushy marshmal- lows-yum! Delicious dessert!
“Ice” by Cameron Brito Stuck and very cold Pretty for decorations And find them frozen	“Snow” by Amber Brooks Cold and is much fun Formed by beautiful snow, now You can play in it	“Hot Chocolate” by Rudy Randall Feels nice and cozy Drink it. You'll be warm, not cold Drink it in winter	“Snow” by Austin Berryman White snow is falling Looks like stars from outer space Beautiful snowflakes	“Sleighing” by Keeley You ride down on it It is really fun to sled Sometimes I fall off
“Warm Sweater” by Paul Rodriguez I have a warm shirt It is made of yarn and I Use it to stay warm	“Snowflakes Falling” by Madison Reffitt Watch the snowflakes fall Designs are beautifully mixed Each unique, both bright		“Pinecones are Awesome” by Jordan Billings Pinecones are awesome Prickly, sticky brown pine- cones Throw them in the air	“Hot Cocoa” by Courtney Konkright Hot cocoa is good Fluffy marshmallows taste great Chocolate delight
“Snow Cream” by Haley Watkins It is snowcream-yay! Use vanilla, milk, sugar, With a bit of snow	“Snowflakes” by Cheyenne Barnes White or blue color Many shapes and sizes too It's really pretty		“Ice Skating on Ice” by Keleigh Maggard Ice skating is cool We can twirl, dance, prance, and play Slide on sold ice	“My Snowman” by Xavier Bates I will go outside I will build it with my friends I like my snowman
“Snow Day” by Gage Barnett Look up in the sky Do you see the frozen stars? Down on the ground-snow!	“Snowforts” by David Martin Snow forts are cozy The ice can help keep us cool I like to build them	“Snowman” by Dalton King A snowman is big It has three very big balls Made of snow and ice	“Snow” by Brianna Wilcox You can play in snow Make snowmen or snow angels The white stuff is fun	“In Snow I Play” by Cody Trent Snow is very good It is time to go inside White crystals are cold
“Ice Fishing” by Collin Barnes I took out my reel And I cast the fishing line He is a monster	“The War” by Logan Baker A war of snow fun It's so hard not to lose it It's only for fun	Howell's Homeroom	“Blanket” by Holden Townsend Blankets keep you warm Wrapped up snuggled, with my mom Cuddling with my dad	
“Winter” by Emma Ginn Icicles hanging My dog has one on its nose Starting to get cold	“Snowflakes” by Logan Reffitt Cold and has designs Formed by beautiful spar- kles See pretty designs	“Sledding” by Sierra Johnson Sledding in the snow Riding on a sleigh is fun Quickly down the hill	“A Good, Snowy Day” by Dawson Baker Snow falls from the sky Makes me feel happy because I can play in it	“Hot Cocoa” by Nancy Stidham Hot cocoa is good Hand me a mug, please. Can you? Cause the snow is cold
“Winter” by Trevor Brewer It is very cold! You get a face full of snow A big, big, big, hill	“My Snowman” by Emma Todd You roll three balls Get carrots, rocks, sticks, mittens Then, show your parents!	“Ice Cold” by Summer Sparks It is freezing cold Get inside and go to sleep Rest by the heater		“Snow” by Chelvie Adams Snow is cold a lot I play in it, it's so fun! it's time to go in
“The Long Winter Night” by Joanna Centers See it's falling hard Snow covers the big long wide road Cars are moving slow	“Hot Cocoa” by Raquel Garcia Snowflakes falling down While riding a sled. Then drink A cup of cocoa	“Flakes of Snow” by Ryan Wireman Snowflakes are falling Today I rake the snow up I do not like snow	“Warm, Winter Delight” by Devin Morris I love hot cocoa In thirty degree weather I like to get warm	“Pine Cones” by DaShayla Esteppe I watch the pinecones Fall into the snow off trees The white snow is cold
“Solid Ice Sledding” by Christina Fizer Sled on solid ice I love to go very fast This is super fun!	“Snowman” by Grayson Hall You get three snowballs You stack them. Get a carrot Rocks are used as eyes	“Snow” by Henry Chaney Snow is coming, Mom It covers the house rooftop A big white blanket	“Hot Cocoa” by Jason Billings Cocoa is so warm I drink mine; it is so good I love it so much	“Hot Cocoa” by McKenzie Brewer On a snowy day On cold days, I like cocoa Hot chocolate—Yum!
“Fireplace” by Chandler Congleton It has fire in it There is lots of wood inside It warms the whole place	“The Fireplace” by Seth Johnson The lighter fluid Gathering the sticks to burn We are getting warm	“Snowflakes” by Laken Kincaid White, round stars falling Down from the sky late last night Delightful snowflakes	Destinee Fossier “Snowball Fight” I'm making a fort Throw snowballs; just me and him Play with my brother	“Trees” by Gabby Tipton Trees shake and rattle The snow falls onto the branch Nature is pretty
“Snow Angels” by Hannah Lunsford It's fun, it's freezing It gets in my hair softly I get up, it's cute	“Winter” by Kaleb Knox Snow is on the ground You can have a snowball fight You can eat snowflakes	“No School” by Devon Ansell Snowflakes in the air Fifty snowballs getting thrown No school tomorrow	Meadows' Homeroom	“Snow” by Clayton Hall Snow is slippery Falling down a snowy hill Get up to play more
“Snowball Fight” by Logan Sparks Throwing at others You can throw two at a time Try to not get hit		“Animals Need Food” by Ashley Creech Animals are searching Looking for food in the park A kind stranger gives them bread	“When I Went Ice Skating” by Emily Holbrook It was slippery I slide and fall on the ice Fun and exciting	“Snowballs” by Stephen Norris They are very white You can eat them, but wait! Mom said it's okay.
“Snowflakes” by Morgan Rose There's snow in the air Little sparkles falling fast It's coming down hard	“Icicles” by Mason Reffitt Cold, you lick it Blue or clear, either one is Hanging up above	“Hot Cocoa is my Favorite Thing to Drink” by Chadison Messmear I drink hot cocoa It is very good to me I love it so much	“Sledding” by Jacob Brumley It falls from the sky It is shaped like a flower It is really white	“Hot Chocolate” by Jayla Glavaris Warm, hot cocoa—Yum! Marshmallows and chocolate A delicious treat
“Snowday” by Hannah Rogers Look up at the sky There are many frozen stars Falling down in snow	“Winter” by Anthony VanCleve Icicles falling People that have mittens on Pinetrees that have ice	“The Cold Day” by Jaylan Shelton It's really cold out Icicles are all around Slipping on sidewalks	“Hot Chocolate” by Carlee Tipton Hot and burning down, Can you pass me a mug, please? Marshmallows-yummy!	“Snowman” by Drew Hall It has some buttons Three balls of snow and a pipe It has sticks and hats
“My Snowman” by Harlee Rose A snowman is cool I like my snowman the best I really like them	“Pine Trees” by Sarah Conley Nice delicious smells Nice frozen snow on the cones	“It's Snowing” by Mercades Jackson I love it snowing	“Snowman” by Cayden Hatmaker Build a nice snowman Roll up three big balls of snow Stack and decorate	

Continuing the tradition



By SARAH BLOOM
Times Lifestyle Columnist

Recently one of my boys had a book to read for school and asked if we could take turns reading out loud to each other. Since I know my boys are not big fans of reading I agreed especially since it was a historical and I love most anything to do with history. So for a few nights we would each read a certain number of pages and then switch off until the book was complete. Sitting there listening to my son read aloud reminded me of the many nights I spent watching my grandmother read by her bedside lamp. My love of reading and writing began at quite an early age. I would often spend the night with my granny when I was young. My papaw had passed away when I was only five and I always felt like she was lonely in that big old house. So I would come and stay with her and I could always depend on her nightly routine. We would watch Wheel

of Fortune and an eight o'clock show while snacking on a bowl of popcorn. Granny never had Kool-Aid or pop in her house so it was either a glass of water or milk. Then it was bedtime and by that I mean it was just time to turn the television off and climb into the bed, sleep was not thought about for at least an hour later. Granny would switch on her bedside lamp and she would grab her latest book from the nightstand. For the next hour she would read quietly. I can remember lying there watching her flip the pages and being completely amazed at how quickly she could devour a book. I would often drift off to sleep watching her and each morning when I would wake her book would be safely tucked away beside the bed. I never once remember her falling asleep while reading. Sometimes I have wondered exactly how many books my granny has read in her lifetime. She still reads on a daily basis and at eighty-two years old I think it is one reason she is still so spry and independent. I would say that the love of reading in our family is hereditary because my mom is also an avid page turner, but then I have to look at my boys and the desire to delve into a good story

seems to have become lost. They have yet to show an interest in reading. They can read, but they only do it to get the grade they need or to study. I once saw a glimmer of hope in one of my boys that a flicker of interest in reading may be growing, but it never made it past the first book in a series. Maybe it is a female trait? Sometimes I wonder if all of the technological advances are slowly killing the art of reading. I know that we will always have to learn to read just to get through everyday life but the enjoyment of opening up a new book and following it through till the end seems to be shifting away. I have tried to tell my boys that watching a movie that is made from a popular book is not the same as reading the story yourself. There is usually so much from the book that is left out of the movie renditions. For me there is nothing better than a book so good that you have to literally restrain yourself from flipping forward a few pages just to get ahead to see what happens. Once a story catches my interest I cannot put it down. I have seen these new tablets etc. where you can download an entire book to it but for me nothing will ever replace the feel of a paperback in my hands.



My five year old has stepped into the beginning stages of reading and it makes me so happy to see the enthusiasm he has for it. I am hoping that he does not begin to see it as a chore, but instead as a portal to other worlds and faraway places or as his own personal time machine. He asks me to read to him from time to time and then he reads to me.

It has always been a joy to me each time one of my boys learned to read because I know how many exciting things it was opening up for them. Maybe one day my older boys will decide that reading is not meant as a chore, but as a pathway for learning and adventure. My granny has probably been to each corner of the earth several

times through the many pages she has read over the years. I know that she definitely made an impact on that little girl who used to love to watch her turn those pages. Have a blessed week everyone! *“Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy...” Revelation 1:3*

Small changes in lifestyles can help save money



PAM DOOLEY
County Home Ec. Agent

Many households experienced a two percent decline in take-home pay in January 2013 as the employee portion of Social Security taxes returned to 2010 levels. Combined with fluctuating prices for different goods and services, this reduction in take-home pay might have you feeling more stretched at the end of the month than usual. Spending plans are a key tool to help families balance their income and expenses on a monthly basis. As income and prices of goods change, it is important to revisit your spending plan. A spending plan is as it sounds, a formula for spending money. One important first step is to find out where you spend your money. Start by writing down all of your expenses for one month. Typically the big expenses, such as rent and groceries are easy to track, but make certain to include all expenses such as trips through the drive-thru, dry cleaning, and vending machine purchases. Normally it is easier to find small things to cut from your lifestyle than it is to make big adjustments. It is important to realize that those small savings add up over time. Review your expenses and identify areas where you can reduce expenditures. Becoming wise to your spending choices

and realizing how much you could actually save can be a motivating factor. Consider the following scenarios:

- An average meal at a fast-food restaurant costs around \$6. If you eat out three days per week, you are spending nearly \$1,000 a year on fast food!
- More and more places are offering specialty coffees now. A small specialty coffee costs around \$4. If you frequent one of these spots twice per week, you could easily spend \$500 a year on coffee and cappuccino!
- Vending machines and quick stop/gas markets can be a big temptation. In a vending machine or quick stop/gas market the average soft drink costs \$1.25 and a candy bar or bag of chips, about \$1. Buying both for a snack during the week could total over \$600 a year in junk food!
- By making a few lifestyle changes you can spend less and save more.
- Rethink how and when you shop. Try to reduce your temptation to spend by only shopping one day per week.
- Always shop with a list and try to stick to it. Remember a sale really is not a sale if you are buying an item that you do not need.
- Spend cash instead of using credit or debit cards.
- Look for discounts. You can find discounts on everything from restaurants and entertainment to kid's birthday parties. Read your local paper and check weekly advertisements for deals.
- Review your current bills to determine if you are really using and need the elaborate cable package or cell-phone plan.
- Check out your local library for DVD and book rentals.

There are many ways to save without making big

changes. Once you find success on a small scale, bigger changes become easier.

Source: Jennifer Hunter, Ph.D. University of Kentucky Extension Specialist Family Resource Management

How to Shop in Your Closet

Liz Kingsland, Bourbon County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, will present this program at the Powell County Extension Office. Come learn more about “upcycling” – camouflaging and repurposing your current wardrobe and accessories to create new fashionable items for your wardrobe on a budget.

Date: Feb. 7
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Cost: Free

Cooking for a Healthy Heart

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Report released in October 2012, heart disease remains the leading cause of death in the United States. We can fight back against heart disease and stroke! Please join us on Tuesday, Feb. 12, 6 p.m., at the Powell County Extension Office to learn how you can make heart-healthy choices. Stacy Crase, Registered Dietician from Kentucky River Foothills Health and Wellness Center, will be on hand to offer great tips on heart health nutrition! We will also provide heart healthy foods to sample. Dress Red for Heart Health Month and join us for this FREE workshop.

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Food for Thought

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— Thomas Edison

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

AmVets Meeting
AmVets Post 67, Clay City, monthly meeting, the first Sunday every month at 2 p.m. Bingo every Monday at 6:30 p.m.

The Powell County Library
Story Time at the Powell County Public Library is every Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. for ages 3 to 5 years. We will read stories, do crafts and sometimes a movie. Powell County Public Library Board Meeting will be held on the third Monday of the month at 4 p.m. in the library.

Disabled American Veteran Meeting
The Monthly Meeting of the Powell County Disabled American Veterans Powell County Chapter # 103 is held on the second Thursday each month at 30 Bright Street Stanton at 6 p.m. For information call Joe Neal 663-5895.

Powell County Tourism Commission
The regular board meetings are held every fourth Wednesday at 1 pm. The meetings are held at the Powell County Extension Office. For more information call 606-481-9740

Veterans Benefits
A Veterans Benefits Field Representative with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs will be at the Powell County Courthouse, Stanton on the first Thursday of each month from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Veterans and their families will be given counseling in filing for Federal and State Veterans benefits. This service is provided free of any charge or fee by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Veterans Affairs. Call and leave a message at 1-866-376-0308, leave a message, your call will be returned. Bring all documents pertaining to filing a claim.

Stanton Parks and Recreation Board
The Stanton Parks and Recreation Board will hold their regular monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. The meetings will be held at the city building in the Senior Citizens building located at the city park.

Friends of PC Pets Meetings
Friends of Powell County's Pets hold their monthly meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the Powell County Public Library. If you have any questions or you would like to volunteer or foster, please stop by.

Brianna's Sanctuary Meetings
Brianna's Sanctuary & Rescue monthly meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on the second Friday of each month, at the Powell County Public Library. If you would like to volunteer or find out the requirements for fostering, come by and join us. For questions call (606) 663-2353 or (859) 576-4846.

Church Directory

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Stanton Assembly of God, Washington St., Stanton, 663-0198, Pastor David Dauwe, cell 502-5514-1786, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm.

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West Bend Baptist, 10124 Winchester Rd. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday Service 11:15 a.m. Pastor John C. Taylor. Phone 1-859-270-1599.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST
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Clay City Church of Christ, 5719 Main St., Clay City, Mack C. Rice, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Church of Christ, 255 N. Main St., 663-5327; Brock Hartwigsen, Min., Sunday Service 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

CHURCH OF GOD
Bowen First Church of God, 5555 Campton Road, Stanton (Bowen) 663-0751; Pastor Steven V. Williams, Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Clay City First Church of God, 4236 Main St., Ph. 663-2810; Garland Lacy, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.
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Goff Corner Independent First Church of God, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am; Bible Study, Wednesday, 7 pm. Pastor, Gary Mathis

Harg First Church of God, Sunday Service 11:00 a.m.

Hatcher's Creek Church of God, Dale Sparks, Min., Worship Service 10:30 am and 6:30 pm.

Knowlton Church of God, Furnace Rd., Stanton, Kenny Wasson, Min, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 6 pm.; Wednesday Service 6 p.m.

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New Beginnings Church of God, 1091 Irvine Road, Hwy. 82, Clay City; Pastors Patty and Billie Utterback, Sunday School 11 am; Sunday Worship Services 12 pm. Tuesday Bible Study 6 pm., Wednesday and Saturday 7 pm.

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West Bend First Church of God, 8861 Winchester Rd., Clay City, KY Pastor James Combs, Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday youth service, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday prayer service, 6:30 p.m.

Christian Fellowship Church of God, 4627 Main St., Clay City, Pastor Harold G. Kelly, Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 am and Sunday Night Service 6:00 pm; Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

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OTHER
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Howard Coop
Guest Columnist

It was a little thing, but little things can, and often do, under certain circumstances,

become big things.

In our subdivision, the garbage truck usually runs early on Monday morning. Soon after it runs, most of us go to the curb and take the garbage can to its proper place. One morning I was busy with a number of things that had to be done, and I did not go out to return the garbage can to the garage where it is always kept. Later in the day, I remembered that I had not attended to that little task, and I prepared to do so. When

I raised the garage door, I was pleasantly surprised. The garbage can I planned to retrieve was sitting beside the door. A neighbor, performing an act of neighborly kindness, had taken the time to do a little thing for me that needed to be done, and I was grateful for that act of helpfulness.

That afternoon, I saw my neighbor, and making an assumption, I kiddingly reminded him that, by some mysterious means, my gar-

bage can had appeared at my garage door. He smiled, and I thanked him for taking the time to perform a neighborly act of helpfulness for me.

But that wasn't the first time I had been the recipient of an act of neighborly helpfulness, and I am sure that I am not the only person in the neighborhood to receive one. Acts of neighborly helpfulness occur with an amazing frequency, for in our neighborhood---and in most neighborhoods---good

neighbors are neighborly. On a regular basis and without waiting to be asked for help, neighbors willingly help one another with little things and big things.

An individual, writing anonymously, said it well: "Let us talk about our neighbors, but let's be as neighbors should. Let's not talk about their failures---Let us tell of something good." And there is much good that can be said.

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By MIKE REED
County Ag. Agent

Fruit Tree Care begins this Month

Throughout the year, several homeowners call the Extension Office concerning fruit tree care. Fruit trees, if left alone, will provide practically nothing but shade if they're not properly pruned each year and sprayed repeatedly to prevent diseases and insect populations from destroying your apple crop. Even with proper spraying, a late frost can take out any chance for an apple on your tree. Fruit tree pruning can certainly be placed on your to-do list this month.

It is best to prune most fruits while the plants are still dormant, but after the severe winter weather has passed. Usually in Kentucky, this means late February or early March. Fruit trees are trained and pruned to two basic growth patterns, the central leader, used for apples and pears and the open center system used for peaches, cherries and plums.

Regardless of growth patterns, there are two types of pruning cuts used: thinning out and heading back cuts. Thinning cuts open up the tree to sunlight and better air penetration and usually do not invigorate growth of the tree. Always remove the branch flush to the tree without leaving a stub. The presence of a stub tends to delay healing and may promote the growth of unwanted suckers. It may also encourage the introduction of insects. Heading back cuts remove only the terminal ends (tip) of the branch. Heading back cuts promote growth of the lower buds and encourage more fruit development.

The central leader system for apple and pear trees is characterized by a central, upright trunk

referred to as the leader. The main branches extend out from the leader, much like the pattern encouraged in a Christmas tree. Keep in mind that the lowest limbs should be at least 36 inches from the ground to allow ease of movement of lawn mowers around and under the tree. If it's in your way of the mower, remove it.

For most trees we simply have too many branches. Just one quick trip to an orchard would show you that you need not have hundreds of branches to have hundreds of apples. Within the tree there should be a reasonable amount of branches but should be spaced 18-24' between whorls. Fewer limbs and bare space allows more light and air penetration which results in more fruit and better spray coverage. Once the basic shape of the tree is established (usually after 4-5 years), then cutting out water sprouts and heading back branches will be the only pruning you will need to do each year on apple and pear trees.

Always when pruning make sure to cut out any branches that are rubbing or crossing over each other, branches that are shading each other, or branches that are damaged or diseased from the previous growing season.

With peach, plum and cherry trees, the basic principle here is to take out any diseased or damaged branches, then open up the center. The open center allows for maximum air flow within the tree. This in it-self will initiate more fruit buds and reduce disease pressure.

With both type of pruning systems, pruning should involve heading back cuts and thinning cuts. Thinning out cuts may involve the larger branches previously mentioned, or may simply involve removal of the water sprouts that shot up last year. Water

sprouts should always be removed as these will not have fruit on them for years, and will only serve to shade the interior of the tree. Pruning will actually promote the development of water sprouts, so once you begin pruning, it has to be an annual event.

Heading back cuts simply encourage the tree to send out additional side branches and more fruit in the long run. Heading back cuts strengthen wood and encourage more fruit bud development.

Many new fruit tree enthusiasts ask about applying some type of fruit tree sealant on cuts. The use of pruning paint or wound dressing on fruit trees this time of year is generally not necessary, as the tree will naturally heal on its own. Pruning sealer may make you feel better, but will really not matter to the tree.

Pruning fruit trees is something that is important to the life and production of the tree, but pruning alone will not guarantee a bumper crop. Once pruning is complete, dormant oil sprays should be applied to smother any small insects such as scale that can cause wide spread damage to the tree. Last summer's drought might have resulted in a large population of scale that can only be curtailed with oil sprays. Spray when temperatures are at least in the 50's.

Once dormant oil sprays are applied it is best to get your trees on a routine chemical spray program which involves a fungicide and insecticide. Most orchards begin this program in early March and spray up until the time of harvest. Yes, I said that right, you start in March and you stop spraying a few days before you pick that ripe apple. For most apples that would be in September or early October. You really have to be dedicated to have a good orchard with apples

with no worms or spots.

Stop by the Powell County Extension Office or call me at 663-6405 for spray guides or more information on fruit trees care.

Still Watching what we eat

You know this accountability thing is really kind of a pain, but once you start, you have to keep it up. So far as of Monday, Feb. 4, after starting the diet on Jan. 3, I have lost 10 big fat pounds!!!Yay hoo!!! Now only 10 more to go, which will be very difficult at best! As my mom says: "This will take a long time...It didn't all go on there overnight". Thanks mom for your constant love and support.

The big hunk participants will need to meet at 4:30 on Thursday, Feb. 7 to weigh in again and pick up their lesson on "Understanding Labels". Only a few more weeks to go! Thank goodness February is a short month.

Don't Forget Valentine's Day

For those men who are routinely in the doghouse most of the year, this weekend may be your ticket out for a while. Valentine's Day (Feb. 14), is the time to wine and dine your loved one at some nice restaurant or to give her a nice gift or bunch of flowers. A good gift however is NOT a ticket to the Farm Machinery Show next weekend, or a toaster, or so I've been told.

Flowers are always nice, but expect to pay more simply because of the supply and demand thing. During this weekend most men 54% will buy roses, 26% will buy mixed flowers and 12% will buy carnations. The remaining 8% of us floundering males will opt for a single rose. Regardless, nothing says "I Love You" like flowers and chocolate. Don't mess up and forget, or the rest of the winter will be even colder

in the doghouse for you.

Watching the Superbowl

Sunday night's Superbowl game was good, but because I am not the biggest football fan, I actually enjoyed the commercials even more. Then, there was Beyonce's half time entertainment that proves that this girl can really dance and sing-even with a microphone in her hand! How did she do all that? The Skechers commercial where the guy chases the cheetah, was hilarious, and the Clydesdale's commercial always warms up my heart. But the commercial of the night for me, was presented by Dodge Ram Trucks, and no, Darrell Billings did not ask me to do this...

The Dodge Ram commercial used beautiful photography and the once familiar voice of Paul Harvey, giving a speech in 1978 entitled: "God Made a Farmer". Its beautiful words and pictures brought tears to my eyes as I thought of my dad who died four years ago this week (Feb 5), as well as the numerous other farmers I have worked with and loved over the years.

I went back to the internet and found its words in printed form and decided to share it with you this week. Vickie can use it at my funeral, if she chooses. I hope you enjoy it:

God Made a Farmer

And on the 8th day, God looked down on his planned paradise and said, "I need a caretaker." So God made a farmer.

God said, "I need somebody willing to get up before dawn, milk cows, work all day in the fields, milk cows again, eat supper and then go to town and stay past midnight at a meeting of the school board." So God made a farmer.

"I need somebody with arms strong enough to rustle a calf and yet gentle enough to deliver his own grandchild. Somebody to

call hogs, tame cantankerous machinery, come home hungry, have to wait lunch until his wife's done feeding visiting ladies and tell the ladies to be sure and come back real soon -- and mean it." So God made a farmer.

God said, "I need somebody willing to sit up all night with a newborn colt. And watch it die. Then dry his eyes and say, 'Maybe next year.' I need somebody who can shape an ax handle from a persimmon sprout, shoe a horse with a hunk of cartire, who can make harness out of haywire, feed sacks and shoe scraps. And who, planting time and harvest season, will finish his forty-hour week by Tuesday noon, then, pain'n from 'tractor back,' put in another seventy-two hours." So God made a farmer.

God had to have somebody willing to ride the ruts at double speed to get the hay in ahead of the rain clouds and yet stop in mid-field and race to help when he sees the first smoke from a neighbor's place. So God made a farmer.

God said, "I need somebody strong enough to clear trees and heave bales, yet gentle enough to tame lambs and wean pigs and tend the pink-combed pullets, who will stop his mower for an hour to splint the broken leg of a meadow lark. It had to be somebody who'd plow deep and straight and not cut corners. Somebody to seed, weed, feed, breed and rake and disc and plow and plant and tie the fleece and strain the milk and replenish the self-feeder and finish a hard week's work with a five-mile drive to church.

"Somebody who'd bale a family together with the soft strong bonds of sharing, who would laugh and then sigh, and then reply, with smiling eyes, when his son says he wants to spend his life 'doing what dad does.'" So God made a farmer.

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Lady Pirates sail through regular season district play

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

The Powell County Lady Pirates have been sailing along in recent games, but it seems to take them a little while before the wind fully fills their sails.

Case in point was their last two games. Powell opened up a little slow against Johnson central and Lee County, but as the game progressed they picked up steam and pulled away from both teams for key victories.

Last Monday evening

the Lady Pirates hosted Johnson Central and trailed 18-17 after the first quarter. But a stingy defense and quick offense blew the game pen for Powell in the second period. The Lady Pirates out-scored the visitors 20-9 in the quarter to capture a 37-27 halftime lead.

The rout continued in the third quarter as Powell held the Lady Eagles to single digit scoring and built up a 54-35. It was all Powell despite even scoring in the final frame. Powell won easily, 77-57.

The Lady Pirates were led by Keeley Rogers with

a game-high 26 points. Destiny Peck tossed in 16 and Nikki Wells chipped in 13 points. Peck had nine boards to go with her double digit scoring.

Triston Curtis added eight points, Stephanie Knox had six, Shayla Lindon and Lille Shelton each scored two and Felicia Ledford added a free throw.

The Lady Pirates traveled to Beattyville last Thursday to play their final regular season district game against Lee County. The game stayed close early as neither team was able to shake the other. The score stood



Thanks for the memories Lilly

Times Photo by James Cook

The Lady Pirates only senior this year, Lilly Shelton, was honored on Monday night as Powell took on Wolfe County. Shelton, known for her toughness, will be missed.



at 29-29.

Powell used a big third quarter to pull away from the Lady Kats, outscoring the home team by 13. Powell then coasted to the 77-62 win.

Powell was led by Rogers with 26 points again and she picked up six boards. But the big news was a career high performance by Curtis. Curtis scored

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Powell's Destiny Peck (left) goes in for two of her 16 points against Johnson Central last week. Peck, who is steadily becoming a rebounding power, also picked up nine boards in the game.

18 points, 11 rebounds and had five steals. Wells added 14 points and had nine assists to go with her performance. Peck added nine, Knox scored eight and Savannah Hamilton had two points.

The wins give Powell a 17-8 record overall and they are 6-0 in the district.

That gives Powell the top seed for the 56th District Tournament. Their opponent in the opening round on Feb. 18 at Estill County has not been determined. Lee and Owsley face off this Wednesday.

If Owsley wins the Lady Pirates play Estill, but if Lee wins they take on Owsley.

Powell will travel to Jackson City tonight (Thursday) and then to Western Hills in Frankfort on Saturday afternoon. They will return home on Monday to play Breathitt County.

That will be a special night as the Lady Pirates Basketball Hall of Fame's first class of inductees will be announced.

There will also be a presentation to honor the 40 years the girl's basketball program has been in place at Powell County High School. It has been reported that the members of the 1972-73 team will be on hand that night.

Go Lady Pirates! Good Luck in the tournament

Pirates lose a heartbreaker at Owsley in OT, 87-83

By GREG MCINTOSH
Times Sportswriter

The Powell County Pirates have lost their fair share of close games this season. The Pirates just cannot seem to close games out especially in district play this season.

Going into the game at Owsley County, this past Tuesday, Powell had lost all five district games by four points or less.

The Pirates started off fast against the Owls by scoring the first six points of the game but Owsley answered back to tie the game at 6 - 6.

Powell went back in front with a three pointer by Trey Marcum. The game would be tied at 13 and 16 by the Owls. Marcum hit two free throws and a basket to put the Pirates up by four. Owsley added a basket to make the score 20 - 18 at the end of the first quarter.

Owsley tied the game with a basket to start the second quarter. Powell responded with eight straight point. Marcum hit two free throws, Brett Goodwin got a three point play and John David Hubbard hit a three pointer for the Pirates.

Owsley County rallied to tie the game at 34 - 34 just before halftime. Caleb McCoy hit a runner in the lane to put Powell up 36 - 34 at the halftime break.

Powell opened the third quarter with a basket

from Brett Thompson to lead by four points. Powell increased their lead on baskets by Goodwin and McCoy. Powell lead 45 - 37 halfway through the third quarter.

Hubbard hit two three pointers and Marcum made three free throws to stake Powell County to a 63 - 50 lead going into the final quarter.

Powell appeared to be on the way to winning a district contest but Owsley had other ideas. Owsley scored the first eight points of the fourth quarter inside against the foul plagued Pirate defense.

The Pirates finally scored a shot by McCoy to lead 65 -58. The Owls continued to comeback with baskets in the paint. Powell led 65 - 64 with a minute to play. Goodwin hit one of two free throws to put Powell up by just two points. Owsley tied the game on a basket. McCoy hit a driving layup with 4.2 seconds to go in the game.

But Owsley got the ball after a timeout. The Owls inbounded the ball and hit a 15 foot shot at the buzzer to tie the game at 68 - 68 to force overtime.

Powell again went back in front with a basket by McCoy. Owsley got a three point play to take their first lead of the game. Marcum hit back to back shots for the Pirates and Powell went ahead, 74 - 73. The Owls pounded the ball inside to score four

straight points to take a 78 - 74 lead with just 1:29 to play in overtime.

Marcum made a big three pointer to get Powell within a point. Owlsey hit a three to answer and added another basket to lead 85 - 79 with less than a minute to play. Powell scored on a shot by Marcum in the lane.

The Pirates got a steal and a basket by McCoy to bring the game to 85 - 83 with 15 seconds remaining in overtime. Powell called a timeout. The Pirates would go for the steal and then foul if unable to get the ball. The Owls got the ball in cleanly and passed the ball quickly. Powell was unable to get the foul called and Owsley got a wide open layup to end the game. Powell fell to Owsley, 87 - 83 in overtime.

Trey Marcum led the Pirates with 36 points. Caleb McCoy had 16 points and Brett Goodwin scored 12 points. John David Hubbard added nine points for the Pirates. Powell now stands at 7 - 14 for the season and 0 - 6 in district play.

Powell was scheduled to play West Carter on the road last Friday but the game was canceled due to weather. The Pirates were scheduled to play Breathitt County at home this past Tuesday. Powell travels to play Buckhorn on Friday as the season winds down.

Come celebrate 40 years of Lady Pirates basketball and see the inaugural class of the Lady Pirates Basketball Hall of Fame on MONDAY, FEB. 11 as Powell hosts Breathitt. Game times are 6 and 7:30 p.m.



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Powell's Trey Marcum, seen above in a game in January against Estill County, scored 36 points last week in a heart-breaking overtime loss to Owsley County. Powell will play Owsley in the first round of the 56th District Tournament on Monday, Feb. 18 at 8 p.m. at Estill County.

Good Luck to the Pirates in the tournament!